

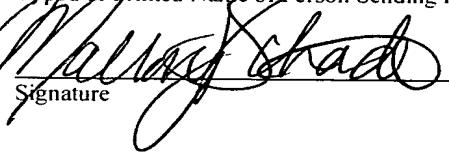
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STATEMENT AS TO JOINT RESEARCH AGREEMENT
PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. § 103(c)(2)

We, the undersigned, on behalf of Assignees, Universität Zurich, Rämistrasse 71, Prorektorat Forschung, Zürich, Switzerland, CH-8006 and ETH Zürich, Rämistrasse 101, ETH Transfer, Zürich, Switzerland, CH-8092, of the above-identified patent application ("Application"), do hereby declare and state the following:

1. The ownership of U.S. Patent No. 7,005,853 B2 to Tsao et al. is in dispute between the applicants of the Application and the present owner of the U.S. Patent No. 7,005,853 B2.

2. Notwithstanding the dispute mentioned above, the invention claimed in the Application and the subject matter of U.S. Patent No. 7,005,853 B2 to Tsao et al. were made by or on behalf of the parties to a Joint Research Agreement within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 103(c)(3), the parties being Philips Medical Systems Nederland B.V. (an affiliate company of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.), Universität Zürich and ETH Zürich.

3. The Joint Research Agreement was in effect on or before the date the claimed invention in the Application was made.

4. The claimed invention in the Application was made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of the Joint Research Agreement.

We declare further that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true; that all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.


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